NOTICE OF INTENT TO MODIFY VOLUNTEER ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT'S HAZARDOUS WASTE ORDER AND APPROVE FINAL REMEDIES

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) intends to modify Consent Order (order) HWM-11 as requested by Volunteer Army Ammunition Plant (VOAAP). VOAAP (EPA ID TN6210020933) is located in Hamilton County at 8395 Hickory Valley Drive, Chattanooga, TN 37422. DSWM has drafted the Class 3 Modification to add final remedies for the facility's Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) and Areas of Concern (AOCs). DSWM has also prepared Statements of Basis which provide justification for the selected remedies. **TDEC invites the public to review and submit comments on the proposed modification during a 45-day comment period ending on September 8, 2017**.

VOAAP conducted a public meeting on June 14, 2016, at the Holiday Inn Downtown Chattanooga, as announced June 2, 2016 in the Chattanooga Free Press. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the community of VOAPP's planned modification request to incorporate the proposed final remedies into their order. Four comments were received and addressed during the meeting. No other comments were received during the 60-day comment period which ended July 24, 2016.

DSWM has determined the selected final remedies adequately protect human health and the environment. As contamination remains in soil and groundwater, the proposed Order modification requires VOAPP to monitor groundwater, maintain off-site residential treatment systems, and maintain controls that will prevent exposure to those contaminants in soil and groundwater.

The site-wide remedies includes provisions for long-term care including site security and inspections, restrictions on digging and drilling, groundwater and surface water monitoring, and notification of any new releases to the environment related to historic Army operations.

The order is proposed to be modified under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Rule Chapter 0400-12-01, <u>Hazardous Waste Management</u>. In accordance with Rule 0400-12-01-.07(9)(c)5.(iii)(VII) and -.07(7)(e), DSWM is providing a 45-day comment period, beginning on the date of this publication, and the opportunity to request a public hearing.

Electronic copies of the draft order modification, application, fact sheet and statements of basis are available online on the Solid Waste Management Dataviewer. Visit https://go.usa.gov/xNEzM to access the facility information in the dataviewer. Paper copies of VOAAP's order are available for review at the Chattanooga-Downtown Library, on the 2nd Floor, History Section, at 1001 Broad Street. These materials are also available at the TDEC Chattanooga Environmental Field Office, 1301 Riverfront Parkway, Suite #206, Chattanooga, TN, 37402 (423-634-5745) and the DSWM Central Office, TN Tower 14th Floor, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Normal state office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays, excluding legal holidays.

To comment on the proposal or request a public hearing, contact Mr. Roger Donovan in the Hazardous Waste Permitting Section of DSWM's Central Office, TN Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 14th Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0864), email Roger.Donovan@tn.gov or fax 615-532-0938. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. CDT, Friday, September 8, 2017, to assure consideration. A request for a hearing requires a significant degree of public interest, shall be in writing, including the contact information of the requestor, and shall state the nature of the issues to be raised at the hearing.

After considering all comments, DSWM will make a final decision to either issue or deny the order modification. Notice will be given to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final decision. At the time of a final order decision, a Response to Comments addressing all significant input received on the draft order modification will be made available to the public. The final order decision shall become effective upon signing by the Director of DSWM.

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